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House of Representatives, April 15, 1986

9 Reported by Representative McHenry from the Committee on Local and
County Government pursuant to H.P. 1316 and printed under Joint Rule 2.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
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15 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
16 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX
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18 AN ACT to Revise the Salaries of Certain
19 County Officers.
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21 Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
22 lature do not become effective until 90 days after
23 adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

24 Whereas, it has become necessary to revise the
25 salaries of certain county officials; and

26 Whereas, it is desired to have these revisions
27 retroactive to January 1, 1986; and

28 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
29 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
30 the Constitution of Maine and require the following
31 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
32 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
33 therefore,

34 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
35 follows:

1 30 MRSA sec. 2, sub-sec. 1, as amended by PL
2 1985, c. 196, is repealed and the following enacted
3 in its place:

4 1. County officers' salaries. The county com-
5 missioners, treasurers, sheriffs, judges of probate,
6 registers of probate and registers of deeds in the
7 several counties shall receive annual salaries from
8 the county treasury, in weekly, biweekly or monthly
9 payments, as follows:

10 A. Androscoggin County:

11 (1) Commissioners

12 (a) Chairman \$ 5,550

13 (b) Members 4,750

14 (2) Treasurer 16,050

15 (3) Sheriff 20,664

16 (4) Judge of Probate 10,774

17 (5) Register of Probate 14,966

18 (6) Register of Deeds 16,372

19 B. Aroostook County:

20 (1) Commissioners

21 (a) Chairman \$ 8,983

22 (b) Members 4,620

23 (2) Treasurer 6,930

24 (3) Sheriff 18,850

25 (4) Judge of Probate 9,818

26 (5) Register of Probate 14,000

27 (6) Register of Deeds

1	<u>(a) Northern District</u>	<u>13,730</u>
2	<u>(b) Southern District</u>	<u>13,730</u>
3	<u>D. Franklin County:</u>	
4	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
5	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>4,401</u>
6	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>4,174</u>
7	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>4,555</u>
8	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>21,873</u>
9	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>10,500</u>
10	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>13,925</u>
11	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>15,000</u>
12	<u>E. Hancock County:</u>	
13	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
14	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>5,933</u>
15	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>5,491</u>
16	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>13,728</u>
17	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>21,626</u>
18	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>12,147</u>
19	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>12,660</u>
20	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>13,728</u>
21	<u>F. Kennebec County:</u>	
22	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
23	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>5,650</u>
24	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>5,273</u>

1	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>8,159</u>
2	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>21,961</u>
3	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>13,055</u>
4	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>15,620</u>
5	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>15,620</u>

6 G. Knox County:

7	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>				
8		<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>
9	<u>(a) District 1</u>	<u>\$ 3,439</u>	<u>\$ 3,611</u>	<u>\$ 3,611</u>	<u>\$ 3,611</u>
10	<u>(b) District 2</u>	<u>3,439</u>	<u>3,439</u>	<u>3,439</u>	<u>3,611</u>
11	<u>(c) District 3</u>	<u>3,439</u>	<u>3,439</u>	<u>3,439</u>	<u>3,611</u>
12	<u>(d) Chairman</u>				
13	<u>differential</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>
14	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>5,193</u>	<u>5,453</u>	<u>5,453</u>	<u>5,453</u>
15	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>19,000</u>	<u>22,500</u>	<u>22,500</u>	<u>22,500</u>
16	<u>(4) Judge of</u>				
17	<u>Probate</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>11,000</u>
18	<u>(5) Register of</u>				
19	<u>Probate</u>	<u>11,850</u>	<u>11,850</u>	<u>11,850</u>	<u>15,000</u>
20	<u>(6) Register of</u>				
21	<u>Deeds</u>	<u>13,304</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>

22 H. Lincoln County:

23	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
24	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	<u>\$ 5,040</u>
25	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>4,300</u>
26	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>4,935</u>

1	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>23,364</u>
2	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>11,340</u>
3	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>14,430</u>
4	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>18,428</u>
5	<u>I. Oxford County:</u>	
6	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
7	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>5,002</u>
8	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>4,557</u>
9	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>6,024</u>
10	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>21,680</u>
11	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>12,557</u>
12	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>14,352</u>
13	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	
14	<u>(a) Eastern District</u>	<u>14,768</u>
15	<u>(b) Western District</u>	<u>11,024</u>
16	<u>J. Penobscot County:</u>	
17	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
18	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>6,968</u>
19	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>6,656</u>
20	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>2,704</u>
21	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>22,065</u>
22	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>18,441</u>
23	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>17,522</u>
24	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>17,522</u>

1	<u>K. Piscataquis County:</u>	
2	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
3	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>4,600</u>
4	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>3,828</u>
5	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>5,000</u>
6	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>19,500</u>
7	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>11,500</u>
8	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>13,250</u>
9	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>13,700</u>
10	<u>L. Sagadahoc County:</u>	
11	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
12	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>4,000</u>
13	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>3,500</u>
14	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>6,813</u>
15	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>18,500</u>
16	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>12,552</u>
17	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>13,714</u>
18	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>14,634</u>
19	<u>M. Somerset County:</u>	
20	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
21	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	\$ <u>4,091</u>
22	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>3,506</u>
23	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>8,429</u>
24	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>23,100</u>

1	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>13,498</u>
2	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>14,235</u>
3	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>13,573</u>
4	<u>O. Washington County:</u>	
5	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>	
6	<u>(a) Chairman</u>	<u>\$ 4,685</u>
7	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>3,905</u>
8	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>15,000</u>
9	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>21,316</u>
10	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>13,302</u>
11	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>13,169</u>
12	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>13,169</u>
13	<u>P. York County:</u>	
14	<u>(1) Commissioners, in accordance with sec-</u>	
15	<u>tion 202 the commissioners do not receive an</u>	
16	<u>annual salary.</u>	
17	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>\$ 3,710</u>
18	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>24,000</u>
19	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>11,130</u>
20	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>15,471</u>
21	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>16,695</u>

22 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency
23 cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect
24 when approved and shall be applied retroactively to
25 January 1, 1986.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This bill makes changes in county salaries as
3 adopted by the county commissioners for those coun-
4 ties which require legislative approval. Cumberland
5 and Waldo Counties have instituted municipal budget
6 committee participation and no longer require legis-
7 lative approval of their budgets. Several other
8 counties also have budget committees but still re-
9 quire legislative approval of the budget. York Coun-
10 ty has a county administrator and by statute the com-
11 missioners forego a salary when a county has an ad-
12 ministrator.

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